



CHAPTER 12 FIREARMS

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12.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this chapter is to provide information and guidelines for the handling, care and use of firearms.

12.1 POLICY

It is the policy of the Golden Police Department that its members are competently trained in the handling, care, safety and use of firearms.

12.2 AUTHORIZED FIREARMS

Members will only carry / utilize firearms on or off-duty in an official capacity that have been authorized by the Chief of Police. The specifications for authorized firearms are outlined in *Appendix A* through *Appendix C* of this chapter. Members may request the authorization of additional firearm manufacturers or modification to the existing specifications by submitting a memorandum to the Chief of Police through the lead firearms instructor. Specific information to support the request must be included.

Authorized firearm classifications:

- A. A primary handgun is the handgun a member carries during the normal course of their assignment with the department.
- B. A secondary handgun is a handgun a member may carry in place of their primary handgun when wearing plainclothes (e.g., training, court, nature of assignment).
- C. A backup handgun is an additional handgun a member carries on duty in addition to their primary or secondary handgun.
- D. An off-duty handgun is a handgun a member carries when they are not working in their official assignment with the department.
- E. A patrol rifle is a shoulder fired long gun authorized for use by a member during the course of their duties.
- F. A shotgun is a shoulder fired long gun authorized for use by a member during the course of their duties.
- G. A specialized firearm is a firearm typically used by a member as part of specialized duties / assignments (e.g., Jefferson County Regional S.W.A.T. Team).

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12.3 GUIDELINES FOR CARRYING A FIREARM

Members may carry a firearm only after successfully:

- A. Completing classes addressing:
 - 1. Department directives;
 - 2. Use of deadly force to include applicable state laws;
 - 3. Firearms mechanics and safety; and
- B. Qualifying with the firearm on the qualification course approved by the department for the designated firearm.

All firearms must meet or exceed the manufacturer's minimum standards for safety and performance and conform to the specifications for authorized firearms as outlined by the Chief of Police. It is the responsibility of each member to ensure that any firearm carried complies with these requirements.

A firearms instructor is responsible for reviewing, inspecting, and approving a firearm to ensure it conforms to departmental standards before a member is allowed to qualify with and carry the firearm.

Members will not carry a firearm, on or off-duty, while they are impaired by alcohol or other substances.

Handguns:

- A. Members are required to carry a fully loaded handgun while on duty. A member's division head may waive this requirement, when appropriate.
- B. All handguns will be carried fully loaded and with a round chambered.
- C. Members wearing plainclothes who are openly carrying a firearm will wear their badge on their person so it is clearly visible (e.g., on belt, around neck)
- D. Primary and secondary handguns:
 - 1. Primary and secondary handguns will be carried on the strong side of the body in a holster.
 - 2. When in a uniform, the primary firearm will be carried in an approved duty holster attached to the duty belt.

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3. A secondary handgun may be the same handgun as a member's backup or off-duty handgun so long as all secondary handgun specifications are met.
4. Uniformed members will carry, at minimum, two fully loaded magazines on their duty belt. Members wearing plainclothes will carry at least one fully loaded magazine on their belt.

E. Backup handguns:

1. Members may elect to carry a backup handgun while on duty.
2. A backup handgun will be carried in a manner where the trigger is shrouded / protected (e.g., holster, protective sleeve).
3. A backup handgun will be carried in a manner so it is concealed from public view.
4. A backup handgun may be the same handgun as a member's secondary or off-duty handgun so long as all backup handgun specifications are met.
5. A member choosing to carry a revolver style handgun must complete the department's user course taught by authorized firearms instructors.

F. Off-duty handguns:

1. Authorized members may elect to carry a handgun when they are off-duty.
2. A member may carry their primary, secondary, backup, or off-duty handgun when they are off-duty as long as all off-duty handgun specifications are met.
3. Official departmental identification will be carried when a handgun is carried off-duty.
4. A handgun carried off-duty will be carried in a manner so it is concealed from public view.
5. All applicable department directives will be strictly adhered to when initiating any type of off-duty police action.

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6. A member choosing to carry a single action (e.g., 1911) or a revolver style handgun must complete the department's user course taught by authorized firearms instructors.

Patrol Rifles:

- A. Patrol rifles may be carried only by members who have completed the department's user course taught by authorized firearms instructors.
 1. Temporary approval to carry a patrol rifle may be given to a member who has prior documented training and experience until they can attend the department's course.
 2. A member must provide training documentation (lesson plan and certificate) for review and complete a skills assessment.
 3. Attendance at the department's user course will occur as soon as possible.
- B. Uniformed members that are qualified on their patrol rifle will carry it while performing patrol duties.
- C. Patrol rifles will be carried in the "Patrol Rifle Cruiser Safe" configuration:
 1. Chamber empty;
 2. Action and dust cover closed;
 3. Fully loaded magazine inserted; and
 4. The selector lever in the "SAFE" position;
- D. When a patrol rifle is carried, at least one additional fully loaded magazine will be kept immediately available.
- E. Patrol rifles will be secured in a vehicle using a locking gun rack or carried in a case secured in a trunk or cargo area vault.

Shotguns:

- A. Only department shotguns will be utilized.
- B. Shotguns may be utilized only by members who have completed the department's user course taught by authorized firearms instructors.

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- C. Uniformed members that are qualified on the shotgun will carry it while performing patrol type duties.
- D. Shotguns will be carried in the “Shotgun Cruiser Safe” configuration:
 - 1. Chamber empty;
 - 2. Action closed;
 - 3. Safety engaged;
 - 4. The magazine tube loaded with six rounds of 00 buckshot; and
 - 5. The receiver mounted shell carrier loaded with six rounds of rifled slug.
 - a. The first three rounds closest to the barrel loaded from the top with the primers facing up.
 - b. The remaining three rounds loaded from the bottom with the primers facing down.
- E. Shotguns will be secured in a vehicle using a locking gun rack or carried in a case secured in a trunk or cargo area vault.

Members on special assignment or assigned to the Jefferson County Regional S.W.A.T. Team may use specialized firearms and related equipment with the approval of the Chief of Police. Members in the applicable assignment will be responsible for obtaining the approval and keeping a record of the applicable specifications.

12.4 MODIFICATIONS

Modifications to a firearm are considered to be any change to the firearm that would cause the firearm to no longer meet manufacturer specifications, cause the warranty of the firearm to be violated, or may have an impact on the functionality or accuracy (e.g., trigger, barrel, frame / receiver, slide, internal components). A modification does not include those items outlined in the *Accessories* section of this chapter.

Modifications must be approved by the Chief of Police. Members must submit a request by memorandum to the Chief of Police through the chain of command and the lead firearms instructor. Specific information to support the request must be included. Modifications will typically not be approved for a department firearm.

Following a modification to a firearm, a firearms instructor must inspect the firearm prior to it being carried. The instructor will log the nature of the modification and inspection

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information in department records. Department records will be updated as soon as possible.

12.5 ACCESSORIES

Members may utilize firearm accessories that have been authorized by the Chief of Police. The specifications for authorized accessories and any subsequent requirements are outlined in *Appendix D* of this chapter. Members may request the authorization of additional accessories by submitting a memorandum to the Chief of Police through the lead firearms instructor. Specific information to support the request must be included.

Following the addition of an accessory to a firearm, a firearms instructor must inspect the firearm prior to it being carried. The instructor will log the accessory type and inspection information in department records. Department records will be updated as soon as possible. Any additional requirements beyond the inspection (e.g., zeroing, qualification) are outlined in *Appendix D* of this chapter.

Members are responsible for any associated costs of any accessories they choose to utilize (e.g., accessory, duty gear changes, installation). Reimbursement due to loss or damage is not guaranteed.

When an accessory requires a component of a department assigned firearm to be permanently removed (e.g., sling, carry handle, handguards), members are responsible for turning in the component to the department via the lead firearms instructor so they can be re-equipped on the firearm at a later time. Members are responsible for any associated costs to replace lost or damaged components that were not turned in, or to return the firearm to the original configuration.

The department reserves the right to deny a member use of any accessory if there is any question or concern regarding the quality, design, safety, or if it would interfere with a member's ability to operate the firearm in any way.

The appearance of accessory may not detract from a member's professional appearance.

12.6 RECORDS

All firearms carried on or off-duty will be on record with the department. Records will include, at minimum, the manufacturer, model and serial number.

The department will maintain records of authorized firearms for each member. Members are authorized to maintain the following:

- A. One primary handgun;

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- B. One secondary handgun;
- C. One backup handgun;
- D. One off-duty handgun;
- E. One patrol rifle; and
- F. Specialized firearms, when applicable.

Department records will be updated as soon as possible when there is a change.

12.7 AMMUNITION

Members will only carry ammunition that has been authorized by the Chief of Police. The specifications for authorized ammunition are outlined in *Appendix E* of this chapter. Members may request the authorization of additional types of ammunition by submitting a memorandum to the Chief of Police through the lead firearms instructor. Specific information to support the request must be included.

The department will provide ammunition for primary handguns, patrol rifles and shotguns. The department will provide a reasonable amount of ammunition for secondary, backup, and off-duty handguns so long as it is the same caliber as a primary handgun.

Replacement of ammunition will be based on availability, budgetary constraints and/or the age / condition of the ammunition.

12.8 DISPLAYING FIREARMS

Members will only display a firearm when required to do so in the line of duty, during an inspection, or during authorized training under the direction of a firearms instructor.

12.9 SAFETY PROCEDURES

De-cocking levers are to be used to return the hammer to the double action position on handguns equipped with them.

Patrol rifles and shotguns are to be carried with all applicable safeties engaged.

Members should always adhere to the four rules of firearms safety:

- A. All weapons must be treated as if they are always loaded;

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- B. Never let the muzzle of a weapon point at anything you are not willing to destroy;
- C. Keep your finger off the trigger and out of the trigger guard until the sights are on target and you are prepared to shoot; and
- D. Always be certain of the target and beyond.

While at the department, a member charging or unloading a firearm, including those seized as property / evidence, will utilize a firearm clearing barrel / bullet trap.

12.10 QUALIFICATIONS

Qualification courses and acceptable scores for each firearm will be determined as follows:

- A. By the Chief of Police for department qualification courses.
- B. By the Jefferson County Regional S.W.A.T. Team for specialized firearms that a member is authorized to carry as part of their assignment to the team.
- C. As directed by the Chief of Police for other members authorized to carry specialized firearms.

Required qualifications:

- A. Each member will qualify with all firearms they carry / utilize, at minimum, annually.
 - 1. All members will qualify with their primary handgun.
 - 2. A member electing to carry a secondary, backup, and/or an off-duty handgun will qualify with the firearm(s).
 - 3. Members the rank of sergeant and below that have completed the department's user course for the patrol rifle and/or shotgun will qualify with the firearm(s).
 - 4. Members assigned to the Jefferson County Regional S.W.A.T. Team authorized to carry specialized firearms will qualify as directed by the team.
 - 5. Members authorized to carry other specialized firearms will qualify as directed by the Chief of Police.

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- B. A member who does not attempt to qualify as required by this section will not carry the firearm / utilize it in the field until they successfully complete the applicable qualification course. Additionally, the member may be subject to corrective and/or disciplinary action.

Firearms qualification procedures:

- A. Members will be permitted three attempts to qualify with each firearm.
- B. Once a member initiates the qualification process with a firearm, they must successfully qualify before resuming to carry the firearm / utilize it in the field.
 - 1. If a successful firearm qualification cannot be completed at the time due to circumstances beyond the department's control (e.g., range availability, firearms instructor availability):
 - a. In the case of a primary handgun, a member will be removed from line duty pending a successful qualification which will occur as soon as possible. For all other firearms, a member will not be allowed to carry the firearm / utilize it in the field until they can successfully qualify with it.
 - b. Notifications will be made as outlined in the notifications portion of this section.
 - 2. A member who fails to qualify after two attempts will participate in skill building training prior to making their third attempt.
- C. Failure to qualify after three attempts:
 - 1. A member who fails to qualify with their primary handgun must complete remedial training, demonstrate proficiency and successfully qualify prior to resuming their normal duties. The remedial training will occur as soon as possible. Additionally, the member may be subject to corrective and/or disciplinary action.
 - 2. A member who is required to carry their patrol rifle fails to qualify with it must complete remedial training, demonstrate proficiency and successfully qualify prior to carrying it. The remedial training will occur as soon as possible. Additionally, the member may be subject to corrective and/or disciplinary action.
 - 3. A member who is required to carry a shotgun fails to qualify with it must complete remedial training, demonstrate proficiency and successfully

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qualify prior to utilizing it in the field. The remedial training will occur as soon as possible. Additionally, the member may be subject to corrective and/or disciplinary action.

4. A member who fails to qualify with a secondary, backup and/or off-duty handgun may choose not to carry the firearm(s). They must complete remedial training, demonstrate proficiency and successfully qualify prior to carrying the firearm(s).
5. Notifications will be made as outlined in the notifications portion of this section.

D. All qualification attempts and results will be recorded.

Notifications:

- A. If a member initiates the qualification process with their primary handgun and is unable to successfully qualify, or they fail to qualify with their primary handgun after three attempts:
 1. The firearms instructor conducting the qualification attempt will immediately contact an on duty or the on-call division head;
 2. The division head will notify the member involved that they are being removed from line duty pending the completion of any mandated requirements (e.g., skill building, remedial training, proficiency demonstration) and successfully qualifying with the firearm; and
 3. The division head will notify other supervisory personnel (e.g., sergeant(s), Chief of Police), as available / needed.
- B. If a member initiates the qualification process with a firearm other than their primary handgun, or they fail to qualify with a firearm other than their primary handgun after three attempts, the firearms instructor conducting the qualification attempt will notify a member's supervisor and division head, in writing, as soon as possible.

12.11 CARE AND CLEANING

Members are responsible for the care and cleaning of their assigned firearms, personally owned firearms, and any related equipment. Firearms will be cleaned prior to returning to duty following any qualification, training or recreational shooting or as soon as possible if a member is already in their work week.

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The care and cleaning of shotguns and related equipment will be handled by firearms instructors and/or department armorers, as needed.

Firearms will not be cleaned anywhere in the police building except the roll-call room, the sally port or a member's assigned workspace (e.g., office, cubicle).

12.12 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Members will not knowingly carry a mechanically unsafe, undependable, damaged or malfunctioning firearm. Any such firearm will be removed from service and reported to a member's supervisor as soon as possible, or immediately to a firearms instructor if at the range.

A personally owned firearm may be serviced or repaired by a facility or person(s) of a member's choosing. The department strongly suggests that this be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith). All expenses involved are a member's responsibility.

A department firearm requiring service or repair will be coordinated through the lead firearms instructor in conjunction with the appropriate division head. When a department firearm requires unscheduled service or repair, it will be placed in the armory closet and marked / tagged. The lead firearms instructor and appropriate division head will be notified, in writing, as soon as possible. All expenses involved are the department's responsibility.

A member whose firearm is out of service for maintenance should contact the lead firearms instructor for a temporary replacement. Members should note that replacements may be limited and other resources may need to be utilized.

12.13 STORAGE

Members should exercise due diligence when storing firearms when they are not being carried. Members may store them in a safe manner at the department in their assigned locker, in a secured area of their assigned office / workspace or in an assigned area in the armory. Members storing them elsewhere should do so in a safe manner and so others (e.g., children) do not have unauthorized access to them.

Department shotguns will typically remain in patrol vehicles unless the vehicle is leaving control of the department or Fleet Maintenance (e.g., dealership for repairs, parked and unattended at a location for an extended period of time).

Firearms stored in the armory will be unloaded with any safeties engaged. Additional ammunition attached to the firearm (e.g., ammunition pouches, receiver mounted shell carrier) does not need to be removed.

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12.14 LOST / STOLEN FIREARMS

Lost or stolen firearms will be immediately reported to the law enforcement agency of jurisdiction. Additionally, the incident will be immediately reported, in writing, to the Chief of Police through the chain of command.

12.15 CARRYING A CONCEALED FIREARM IN ANOTHER STATE

Members, in good standing, may carry a primary, secondary, backup, or off-duty handgun concealed in another state in accordance with the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (18 U.S.C. § 926B, as amended). In addition, members must adhere to all applicable city and department directives.

12.16 CARRYING A FIREARM ON A COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT

Members may carry a primary, secondary, backup, or off-duty handgun concealed during a commercial flight with written permission from the Chief of Police and in accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 1544.219, as amended.

12.17 INSPECTIONS

Line inspections:

- A. A supervisor, or at their request, a firearms instructor will conduct a line inspection on authorized firearms within one week, or as practical, following the close of an authorized qualification or practice.
- B. Line inspections will be conducted at the shooting range, a firearm clearing barrel / bullet trap or in the roll-call room.
- C. Line inspections will include:
 - 1. Cleanliness and apparent serviceability of the firearm;
 - 2. Serviceability of auxiliary equipment;
 - 3. Verification of authorized ammunition; and
 - 4. Confirming the number of rounds carried.
- D. Firearms presented for inspection will be:
 - 1. Safely unloaded as directed by the person conducting the inspection; and

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2. Presented with the muzzle pointed in a safe direction (e.g., down range, into a firearm clearing barrel / bullet trap) and the action of the weapon locked open.

E. In the case of a deficiency:

1. Dirty firearm – The person inspecting will direct the cleaning of the firearm as soon as is practical.
2. Mechanical problem – The procedures outlined in the *Maintenance and Repair* section of this chapter will be followed.
3. Notification of a member's division head will be at the discretion of the supervisor completing the line inspection.
4. The decision to note a deficiency in a member's annual performance evaluation is at the discretion of the supervisor.
5. A supervisor will follow-up in a timely manner to ensure a deficiency has been corrected.

Mechanical and safety inspection:

- A. All authorized firearms will undergo a mechanical and safety inspection, at minimum, annually.
- B. The department will determine the facility or person(s) qualified to complete the inspection of a department firearm. A member may have a personally owned firearm inspected using the same facility and/or person. All expenses associated with the inspection are the department's responsibility.
- C. A member may choose to have a personally owned firearm inspected by a facility or person(s) of their own choosing. In the event it is a facility or person(s) of their own choosing, the department strongly suggests that this be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith). All expenses associated with the inspection are a member's responsibility.
- D. Any service and/or repairs needed, and any resulting expenses, will be handled in accordance with the *Maintenance and Repair* section of this chapter.
- E. All annual inspections will be documented. The documentation will be maintained by the department.

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APPENDIX A: SPECIFICATIONS FOR AUTHORIZED HANDGUNS

I. PRIMARY HANDGUNS

Manufacturer:	Glock
Models:	17, 34
Caliber:	9mm
Action:	Safe action
Type:	Semi-automatic
Capacity:	17 rounds (minimum)
Trigger:	Factory trigger with a pull weight of at least 4 pounds
Sights:	Factory night sights or authorized equivalent when using an optic

II. SECONDARY HANDGUNS

Manufacturer:	Glock, Heckler and Koch, Sig Sauer, Smith and Wesson, Springfield
Caliber:	9mm, .40 S&W, .45 ACP
Action:	Double action / single action, double action only, safe action / striker fired
Type:	Semi-automatic
Capacity:	6 rounds (minimum)
Barrel length:	2.0 inches to 6.0 inches
Trigger:	Factory trigger with a pull weight of at least 4 pounds
Sights:	Factory sights or an authorized equivalent

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III. BACKUP HANDGUNS

Manufacturer:	Glock, Heckler and Koch, Sig Sauer, Smith and Wesson, Springfield
Caliber:	.380 Auto, .38 Special, .357 Magnum, 9mm, .40 S&W, .45 ACP
Action:	Double action / single action, double action only, safe action / striker fired
Type:	Semi-automatic or revolver
Capacity:	5 rounds (minimum)
Barrel length:	2.0 inches to 6.0 inches
Trigger:	Factory trigger with a pull weight of at least 4 pounds
Sights:	Factory sights or an authorized equivalent

IV. OFF-DUTY HANDGUNS

Manufacturer:	Colt, Glock, Heckler and Koch, Kimber, Ruger, Sig Sauer, Smith and Wesson, Springfield
Caliber:	.380 Auto, .38 Special, .357 Magnum, 9mm, .40 S&W, .45 ACP
Action:	Double action / single action, double action only, single action, safe action / striker fired
Type:	Semi-automatic or revolver
Capacity:	5 rounds (minimum)
Barrel length:	2.0 inches to 6.0 inches
Trigger:	Factory trigger with a pull weight of at least 4 pounds
Sights:	Factory sights or an authorized equivalent

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V. PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS

Members authorized prior to the revised date of this chapter to carry a primary, secondary, backup or off-duty handgun different from the specifications above will be permitted to carry it until the handgun is removed from service.

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APPENDIX B: SPECIFICATIONS FOR AUTHORIZED PATROL RIFLES

I. DEPARTMENT PATROL RIFLES

Manufacturer:	Colt
Style:	AR-15
Type:	Semi-automatic, direct / gas impingement
Caliber:	5.56 x 45mm / .223 Remington
Capacity:	20 rounds (minimum)
Barrel:	14.5 inches (chrome lined), A2 flash suppressor
Trigger:	Factory single stage, or authorized equivalent, with a trigger pull weight of at least 4.5 pounds and a full power hammer spring
Sights:	Adjustable dual aperture rear ghost ring, adjustable post front sight
Other:	Collapsible stock, sling, weapon mounted flashlight

II. PERSONAL PATROL RIFLES

Manufacturer:	Armalite, Bravo Company Manufacturing, Colt, Daniel Defense, Fabrique Nationale Herstal, Lewis Machine and Tool, Smith and Wesson
Style:	AR-15
Type:	Semi-automatic, direct / gas impingement
Caliber:	5.56 x 45mm / .223 Remington
Capacity:	20 rounds (minimum)
Barrel:	10.3 inches to 16.0 inches (chrome lined), A2 flash suppressor

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For barrel lengths under 16.0 inches, the member must outline their plan of action to obtain / configure the patrol rifle and obtain prior approval

Prior to carry, the member must possess a tax stamp issued by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and provide the department with a copy to be kept on file

Trigger: Factory single stage, or authorized equivalent, with a trigger pull weight of at least 4.5 pounds and a full power hammer spring

Sights: Adjustable dual aperture rear ghost ring, adjustable post front sight

Other: Collapsible stock, sling, weapon mounted flashlight

III. PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS

Members authorized prior to the revised date of this chapter to carry a patrol rifle different from the specifications above will be permitted to carry it until the patrol rifle is removed from service.

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APPENDIX C: SPECIFICATIONS FOR AUTHORIZED SHOTGUNS

Manufacturer:	Remington
Model:	870P
Caliber:	12-Gauge
Type:	Pump-action, magazine tube fed
Barrel length:	18 inches
Capacity:	6 rounds
Trigger:	Factory
Sights:	Adjustable rear ghost ring, elevated bead front sight
Other:	Pistol grip stock, receiver mounted shell carrier (6 rounds minimum), sling, weapon mounted flashlight

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APPENDIX D: SPECIFICATIONS FOR AUTHORIZED ACCESSORIES

I. HANDGUNS

Grips that are aftermarket must be made by a reputable manufacturer

Mechanical Sights (aftermarket):

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Dawson Precision, MeproLite, Trijicon, TruGlo, those made and/or recommended by the firearm manufacturer
- B. Must be a traditional blade style front and rear sight
- C. Sights may be either fixed or adjustable unless otherwise specified
- D. Sights may be standard (e.g., blacked out), high visibility (e.g., fiber optic), night sights, or a combination based on individual preference unless otherwise specified
- E. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)
- F. Qualifying with the handgun is required prior to carry

Laser sights:

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Streamlight, Surefire, Crimson Trace
- B. Laser sights are not to be used in place of traditional handgun sights.
- C. Laser sights can attach through a firearm manufacturer's integrated rail or through the grip or similar attachment (see *Grips* section)

Optics (Reflex Sights):

- A. Authorized manufacturers and components:
 - 1. Adapter plates: C&H Precision, those made and/or recommended by the firearm manufacturer
 - 2. Optics:
 - a. Holosun: 507C, 509T

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- b. Leupold: DeltaPoint Pro
- c. Trijicon: RMR, SRO
- 3. Slides: Those that are manufactured by or approved by the firearm manufacturer and are manufactured as optic ready
- B. The primary reticle (e.g., dot) must be 4 minutes of angle (MOA) or smaller
- C. The optic may have an automatic mode that adjusts brightness based on environment but must have a manual mode that allows the brightness to be manually set
- D. The mechanical sights must be usable through the window of the optic (e.g., suppressor / optic height)
- E. No magnification or similar feature is authorized
- F. Completion of the department's user course taught by authorized firearms instructors is required prior to initial carry
- G. Zeroing the optic and qualifying with the handgun is required prior to carry

Weapon Mounted Tactical Lights:

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Streamlight, Surefire
- B. Lights must mount to a firearm manufacturer's integrated rail

II. PATROL RIFLES

Ambidextrous Magazine Releases (aftermarket):

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Knights Armament, Troy Industries
- B. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)

Ambidextrous Selector Levers (aftermarket):

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Battle Arms Development, Knights Armament, Troy Industries, those made and/or recommended by the manufacturer of the firearm

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- B. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)

Battery Assist Device / Ambidextrous Bolt Release Levers:

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Magpul Industries, Troy Industries
- B. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)

Charging Handles (aftermarket):

- A. Replacement of the entire charging handle assembly is required (no latch replacement)
- B. Authorized manufacturer: Bravo Company Manufacturing
- C. Single hand operation or ambidextrous operation is individual preference
- D. Latch size is individual preference

Fore grips, hand stops, other reference point accessories as well as any parts used for attachment (e.g., rail segments) must be made by a reputable manufacturer:

Handguards and Rail Systems (aftermarket):

- A. Drop-in systems:
 - 1. Drop-in systems are considered to be those that replace the traditional handguards and do not require removal of major components of the patrol rifle (e.g., delta ring, barrel nut, handguard cap, front sight post)
 - 2. All components must be made by a reputable manufacturer
- B. Free-float systems:
 - 1. Free-float systems are considered to be those that require removal of any major components of the patrol rifle (e.g., delta ring, barrel nut, handguard cap, front sight post)
 - 2. Authorized manufacturers and components:
 - a. Rail systems: ALG Defense, Bravo Company Manufacturing, Daniel Defense, Geisselle, Knights Armament, Troy Industries,

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those made and/or recommended by the manufacturer of the firearm

- b. Gas block: Troy Industries 2-inch low profile
- 3. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)
- 4. In the case of a department patrol rifle:
 - a. The department may specify the person / entity to complete installation
 - b. Installation must not damage any components and allow for the patrol rifle to be returned to the original configuration

Mechanical Sights (aftermarket):

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Bravo Company Manufacturing, Knights Armament, Lewis Machine and Tool, Magpul Industries, Troy Industries, those made and/or recommended by the manufacturer of the firearm
- B. Sights must be mounted in a traditional vertical fashion (e.g., no offset 45-degree sights)
- C. Zeroing of the mechanical sights and qualifying with the patrol rifle is required prior to carry

Optics (Reflex Sights):

- A. Authorized manufacturers and components:
 - 1. Optics:
 - a. Aimpoint: CompM3, Comp ML3, CompM4, CompM4S, CompM5, CompM5S, Micro T-1, Micro T-2, PRO
 - b. Trijicon: MRO, RMR
 - 2. Mounts: Those made by a reputable manufacturer
- B. The primary reticle (e.g., dot) must be 3 minutes of angle (MOA) or smaller

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- C. The optic may have an automatic mode that adjusts brightness based on environment but must have a manual mode that allows for the brightness to be manually set
- D. The mechanical sights must be usable through the window of the optic
- E. No magnification or similar feature
- D. Completion of the department's user course taught by authorized firearms instructors is required prior to initial carry
- E. Zeroing of the optical sight and qualifying with the patrol rifle is required prior to carry

Pistol Grips (aftermarket):

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Bravo Company Manufacturing, Daniel Defense, Magpul Industries
- B. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)

Slings:

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Blue Force Gear / Vickers Tactical, Magpul Industries, Viking Tactics
- B. The sling may be of a one-point design, two-point design, or a combination / modular design based on individual preference

Sling Attachment Points:

- A. All components must be made by a reputable manufacturer
- B. In the event it is necessary to modify the base rifle to install an attachment point (e.g., replace the receiver endplate), installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)

Stocks (aftermarket):

- A. All components must be made by a reputable manufacturer

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- B. For systems that are not a drop-in replacement (e.g., change to the buffer tube, receiver endplate) installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)

Triggers (aftermarket):

- A. Authorized manufacturers and models:
 - 1. ALG Defense: Quality Mil-Spec Trigger (QMS), Advanced Combat Trigger (ACT)
 - 2. Bravo Company Manufacturing: PNT Trigger Assembly
- B. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)
- C. Test firing of the patrol rifle is required prior to carry

Trigger Guard Gappers:

- A. Authorized manufacturer: Ergo
- B. Installation must be completed by someone who is appropriately trained (e.g., firearm manufacturer, armorer, certified gunsmith)

Weapon Mounted Tactical Lights:

- A. Authorized manufacturers: Inforce, Streamlight, Surefire
- B. The method of mounting the light is typically individual preference however, if a light is mounted to the barrel, front sight post, or any other area that can affect the accuracy, zeroing of the patrol rifle is required prior to carry

III. PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS

Members authorized prior to the revised date of this chapter to carry an accessory different from the specifications above will be permitted to carry it until the accessory is removed from service.

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APPENDIX E: SPECIFICATIONS FOR AUTHORIZED AMMUNITION

I. PRIMARY HANDGUNS

CALIBER	BRAND	BULLET WEIGHT	BULLET TYPE
9mm	Speer	147 Grain	GDG2

II. SECONDARY HANDGUNS

CALIBER	BRAND	BULLET WEIGHT	BULLET TYPE
.45 ACP	Speer	230 Grain	GDHP
.40 S&W	Speer	180 Grain	GDHP
9mm	Speer	147 Grain	GDG2

III. BACKUP AND OFF-DUTY HANDGUNS

CALIBER	BRAND	BULLET WEIGHT	BULLET TYPE
.45 ACP	Speer	230 Grain	GDHP
.45 ACP	Federal	230 Grain	HST
.45 ACP	Federal Tactical	230 Grain	Hydra-Shok
.45 ACP	Winchester	230 Grain	Ranger
.40 S&W	Speer	180 Grain	GDHP
.40 S&W	Federal Tactical	180 Grain	HST
.40 S&W	Federal Tactical	180 Grain	Hydra-Shok
.40 S&W	Winchester	180 Grain	Ranger
9mm	Speer	147 Grain	GDG2
.357 Magnum	Speer	158 Grain	GDHP
.357 Magnum	Federal Tactical	158 Grain	Hydra-Shok
.38 Special	Speer	125 Grain	GDHP
.38 Special	Federal Tactical	129 Grain	Hydra-Shok
.38 Special	Winchester	125 Grain	Super X

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.380 Auto	Speer	90 Grain	GDHP
.380 Auto	Federal Tactical	99 Grain	HST
.380 Auto	Federal Tactical	90 Grain	Hydra-Shok
.380 Auto	Winchester	95 Grain	Ranger

IV. PATROL RIFLE

CALIBER	BRAND	BULLET WEIGHT	BULLET TYPE
.223 Remington (5.56 x 45 mm)	Speer	62 Grain	GDSP

V. SHOTGUN

CALIBER	BRAND	SHELL LENGTH	RECOIL	PROJECTILE
12-Gauge	Federal	2 ¾ inch / 70mm	Low Recoil	00 Buckshot with FliteControl Wad
12-Gauge	Federal	2 ¾ inch / 70mm	Low Recoil	1-Ounce Rifled Slug

VI. PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS

Members authorized prior to the revised date of this chapter to carry an ammunition type and/or caliber different from the specifications above will be permitted to carry it until such time the corresponding firearm is removed from service.